

Amendments to the Claims

Please amend claims 13-16 as set forth below in the Listing of Claims. This Listing of Claims replaces all previous listings.

Listing of Claims

Claims 1-12. (Cancelled)

Claim 13. (Currently amended) An implantable drug delivery system comprising:

a storage area for storing a drug,

a meter for metering a predetermined, effective amount of the drug;

delivery means for delivering the effective amount of the drug to a patient to treat a disorder, the delivery means comprising:

a catheter having a plurality of drug delivery ports, the drug delivery ports being movable between an open position to deliver the drug to the patient, and a closed position; and

drug delivery path preservation means for delivering a substance to the ports for resisting fibrous occlusion of the drug delivery ports, the drug delivery preservation means ~~comprising a substance for resisting the fibrous occlusion~~ being proximate the drug delivery ports.

Claim 14. (Currently Amended) An implantable drug delivery system according to claim 13, wherein the substance for resisting fibrous occlusions comprises poly(glycine-valine-glycine-valine-proline).

Claim 15. (Previously Presented) An implantable drug delivery system according to claim 13, wherein the catheter has a longitudinal axis and the drug delivery ports comprise a plurality of slits.

Claim 16. (Previously Presented) An implantable drug delivery system according to claim 13, wherein the substance for resisting fibrous occlusions in the drug delivery ports.

Claims 17-20. (Cancelled)